

A report from our researcher of work done in Ireland brought documentation of her progenitors to and including her great-grandfather's family.

There was much in this Ferguson report to absorb and to put into proper relationship. I longed to see the Edward Clyde Journal, hoping to make the task easier; but sufficient for the hour had been granted.

When the report from Ireland had been thoroughly absorbed and properly cared for, I was eventually granted access to all that Edward Clyde had written relative to our progenitors and their relatives. It was possible at last to compile the Ferguson families and to list many of their children. We now have solid ground to stand on and to build upon.



Since this McDonald-Ferguson history and genealogy was common to so many and will become more so with the years, I wished to share it. This is my effort to do so. I have been imbued from childhood with the thought from Ralph Waldo Emerson:

So nigh is grandeur to our dust,
So near is God to man,
When duty whispers low, Thou must,
The youth replies, I can.

This simple faith has been tested and found valid. As a gift to you of the younger generations, and to unborn generations, this documented chain of family relationships is herewith given. As a lighted torch, be yours to hold it firmly and continue to weld the links of our ever-extending family chain.

Devotedly,
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